

## Fact Sheet - Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant Calverton, New York

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## **♦** Introduction

In voluntary cooperation with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the Suffolk County Health Department, the U.S. Navy has conducted environmental investigations at NWIRP Calverton. This fact sheet explains the background and purpose of the environmental work at this site.

## ◆ Background

- Facility developed to assemble, flight test, refit, and retrofit naval aircraft.
- Since 1954, the plant has been leased to the Grumman Corporation, now known as Northrop Grumman.
- ♦ Installation Restoration Program Process
  - Discovery phase identifies potential sites of concern.
  - Study phase determines whether contamination is present, and if present, its nature and extent.
  - Remediation phase develops and implements options to protect human health and the environment.
- ◆ Previous Installation Restoration Program Studies
  - 19 sites investigated to date; 10 sites found to require no additional investigation.
  - ◆ 4 sites will require remediation; a full-scale treatability study is being conducted at 1 site.
  - 5 sites are still under investigation, with results expected in the spring 1996.

## **♦** Future Activities

- Remedial action plans are currently being prepared to address areas of concern.
- **♦** Community Relations Activities
  - A Restoration Advisory Board is being established. Community volunteers will be an integral part of this board.
  - The Restoration Advisory Board establishes partnering between the Navy and the local community to enhance communication.
  - Questions or comments can be directed to Mr. Jim Colter, the Navy Remedial Project Manager in Lester, Pennsylvania, at 610-595-0567, extension 163.
  - Documents discussing the environmental studies can be viewed at the site information repository at the Riverhead Free Library.